

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: K. AOTA, et al.  
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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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June 20, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 20, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the following pages:

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.